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Applicant: Kuno et al.

Serial No.: 09/384,532

Art Unit: 2624

Filed: August 27, 1999

Examiner: D.Q. Tran

**CUSTOMER NO. 29540**For: **PRINT SYSTEM CAPABLE OF NOTIFYING USER OF REQUIRED INK  
AMOUNT**Day Pitney LLP  
7 Times Square  
New York, New York 10017**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Information Disclosure Statement of July 20, 2007, Applicant respectfully points out that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("Supplemental IDS") filed June 21, 2007 meets the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(d).

The Supplemental IDS was 1) filed prior to payment of the issue fee, 2) included a statement according to 37 CFR 1.97 (e) (1) in the second paragraph of the second page of the Supplemental IDS, and 3) a fee of \$180 was enclosed.

A copy of the Supplemental IDS is attached for your reference. Accordingly, we respectfully ask the Examiner to consider the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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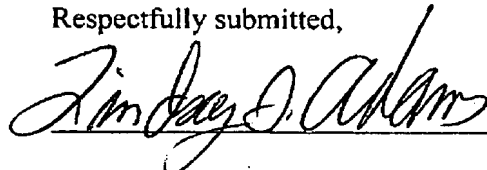
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submitted on July 21, 2007.

If the Examiner has any question regarding the Supplemental IDS, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone set forth below.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due. However, if any fees are due, please charge such sums to our Deposit Account 50-1145.

Respectfully submitted,



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**COPY****SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the two (2) references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A Form be considered and made of record in the above-identified file. The requisite fee of \$180 under 37 CFR §1.17(p) is also enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed: Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on June 21, 2007

Robert Norton

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Signature

June 21, 2006

Date of Signature

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REMARKS

Enclosed herewith are copies of the two (2) Japanese references and their respective English abstracts. A PTO/SB/08A Form listing the two (2) references is also enclosed. One of the references, JP9-134261 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,813,038 and U.S. Published Application 2005/0007633. The references were cited in an Office Action issued for the Japanese parent application on May 8, 2007. An English translation of the Office Actions is also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

The present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of the date of the Office Action being issued by the Japanese Patent Office. A Notice of Allowance has been issued in this application but the issue fee has not been paid. Applicants respectfully request the references be considered and made of record since a check for the fee under Section § 1.17(p) is enclosed along with the above certification as required under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1).

Applicants do not believe that any other fees are due. However, if any additional fees are due, please charge such sums to our Deposit Account 50-1145.

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|                    |                       | JP 9-134261 (w/ Eng. Abs.)   | 05-20-1997       | Canon KK  |   |                |
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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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